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Corinthian,

Girard College



My deeds must be my life.
When I am dead my actions must
speak for me.



I would have them taught

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"For precious ever-lingered memories—"

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PHILADELPHIA 21, PA.

*To' lost to sight, to memory dear,
Thou ever will remain;
One only hope our hearts can cheer—
The only hope to meet again.*

—George Lindley



STEPHEN GIRARD, Founder

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The Editors of The Corinthian

as directed by The Class of June 1953

are privileged to

DEDICATE THIS CLASS RECORD

To Our Respected Class Hostess And Host

MISS CHARLOTTE M. KNAPP

Teacher, Elementary Schools

and

MR. KARL R. FRIEDMANN

Head, Department of Mathematics

Their warm and genuine interest in the Class and the wise and friendly guidance which they have given upon so many occasions to our social affairs merit the honor of this Dedication Page.

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Allen Hall
Girard College
June 12, 1953

Dear Mr. Girard:

Today we pay tribute to you not just as a mariner, merchant, banker, patriot, or humanitarian, but as a foster father. We used to stand and watch the graduates of our school pay their respects to you; now we are joining their ranks, not with a feeling of rampant joy, but with one of reticent sadness. Today we are reluctant to bid adieu.

As forlorn and fatherless boys we recall our earliest days at Girard. A feeling of insecurity and fear bore down upon us; strange cold-looking buildings and the glaring eyes of unfamiliar people meet us at every turn. We were left alone in a great community we had never seen before. Now, after ten years of learning and growing at Girard, we emerge schooled in the highest principles of morality, and in those qualities which you profoundly exemplified—truth, tolerance, duty, and justice. We have found in a measure what most men seek till they die.

Girardians live in each other's joys, accomplishments, and failures, the elated feelings of success, and the cutting pangs of other's misfortunes.

Had it not been for your foresightedness, Mr. Girard, many of us wonder what fate would now have in store for us. It is hard to imagine the great faith you had in people and in America. Today, over a hundred years later, you are still the greatest blessing of thousands of fatherless boys. Your greatness of soul and vision has resulted in giving new hope to thousands. It has given to the world young men who will do their utmost to strive for wisdom, generosity, and brotherly love, and peace.

Before parting, and like thousands of Girardians before our time, we wish to voice our feelings toward you. We do so with a lingering tear because you have guided our lives. We know that other boys, grateful recipients of your bounteous goodness, have also tried to thank you, as we are now trying to do. Everything we are, or ever will be, we owe to your vision, your love, and the faith you had in your country. As never before, we thank God for you today.

Sincerely,

The Class of June 1953

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STEPHEN GIRARD—FOUNDER

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DR. MERLE MIDDLETON ODGERS
President, Girard College

"Sons of Girard—I charge you never to forget the great benefits you have received in his school, and, in time to come, according to your means, to do all that you can to enable others to enjoy similar advantages; and remember that you carry with you, wherever you go, here or abroad, the good name of Girard College. May God Almighty bless you in your ways and keep you in the knowledge of His love, now and forever."



SECONDARY EDUCATION FACULTY AND LIBRARIANS

On this day of leave-taking what can we say that will really express all that you have been to us over the last five years? Father, mother, sister, brother, and friend—you have been all that and more, of course. This Class pledges its loyalty, love, and highest resolution to live a dedicated life for the Founder and those who have made his spirit in our lives greater than the man himself.

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To the Class of June 1953 :



"The public appreciates quality." After a full decade of radio repetition that slogan has a familiar ring for most of us who live and listen in the neighborhood of Philadelphia. It is intended that you should associate the slogan with the product it advertises, then buy accordingly. How you react to modern methods of advertising, however, is not my principal interest. I would like to have you think for a moment about the slogan.

Do you know the difference between a good shortstop and a poor one? Can you tell whether you have drawn an able teacher or a mediocre one? Do you know when a trumpet solo is beautifully true; when it is close, but misses? Do you know when you have a strong student president and when he is ineffectual?

If the answer is affirmative it means you have taken the first step. You have learned to recognize quality.

Can you cut a piece of metal accurately to one one-thousandths of an inch? Can you score 10 in a swim dive? Can you hit and hold a specific note for your music master? Can you spell out the future of "aller"? Can you stick to the full truth, even though it means trouble?

If the answer is affirmative, it means that you have taken the second step. You have learned to produce quality.

Are you dissatisfied with a "C" in geometry when you know that your best effort could have produced a "B"? Are you unwilling to sell a defective product, even if the customer will never be able to hold you responsible? Are you unwilling to cheat on a test, even if no one but you would know it?

If the answer is affirmative, you have taken the longest and last step. You have learned to live on a quality standard.

The day that you can truly say to yourself, "I have given the best that is in me to meet the highest standards that I know," that is the day that you will experience full satisfaction. It takes real courage to look yourself in the eye each night and answer honestly, "Did I meet the quality standard every step of the way today?" The fellow who is asking is the one fellow on earth whom you can never fool. Work to reach the point where with honesty and understanding you can answer "yes."

Remember: "The public appreciates quality."

Wilfred B. Wolcott, Jr.

Director of Secondary Education

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We Bequeath:

MR. ANDREWS	A supply of Sunday readers
DR. BANKS	A new administration
MR. CUNNINGHAM	A tennis rule book
MR. DAFFIN	More time to do it in
MR. DENNIS	Unbreakable Pyrex
MR. FRIEDMANN	A class with highest moral standings
COL. HAMILTON	A color guard that's in step
DR. HASKELL	Improved Corinthian cus.
MR. HECK	Another Matthews
MR. HOUSTON	Shorter prayers
MR. JONES	Building supplies
MR. LAWRENCE	A magazine published on time
MR. LEYDON	A published edition of his sayings
MR. MacGREGOR	A pair of "pegged britches"
MR. MAILLARDET	A hound-dog
MR. MARCH	A swivel chair to sit back easily on
MISS McCRAKEN	Some new grammar techniques
MISS McGHEE	A dance with 100% attendance
MR. MOSCARIELLO	Paid-up alumni memberships from '52
MR. OTTO	A full recreation staff
MR. REARDON	An organized track team
MR. SCHEVERMANN	Some steam for "steamies"
MR. SCHOELL	A pipe and tobacco supply
MR. SEVERY	A track manager
MR. SHIRLEY	A Cadillac
MISS STARK	A French toast recipe
MR. STEVENS	Carefulness
MR. SUNGENIS	A course on teaching shorthand
MR. WAGNER	Sympathetic listeners
DR. WHITE	A book explaining pranks
MR. WILSON	A book publishing firm
DR. WOLCOTT	Something for nothing
DR. WOLF	A text book that isn't "just as new"
MR. WOLSTENHOLME	Four assistant coaches
MR. YOTTEY	Shoes with cleats
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In Recognition



MR. JOHN C. DONECKER
Assistant to the President

The coach of the winning team is often forgotten amidst his business on the sidelines. The man behind the scenes is often lost in the labors which help make a play a great success. So it may be with the Assistant to the President, Mr. John C. Donecker.

Mr. Donecker's influence and labors reach into almost every department of the College and into the personal lives of all our schoolmates. Through him much business is transacted, holidays and vacations are arranged, and many co-administrative directives are channeled. We have felt his hand on many occasions. An alumnus himself, he knows the pitfalls into which we could tumble; he has guided us away from them.

In appreciation of all he has done for the Class of June 1953, we wish to express our sincere thanks.

In the service of Girard College 1916-1954
"Thou wert my guide, philosopher, and friend."



MR. R. FOSTER STEVENS
Head, Department of Science

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DR. RAYMOND I. HASKELL
Head, Department of English

In appreciation of the personal interest, suggestions, and long hours of editing given to the composition of this Class Record.



In appreciation of the patience, skill, and personal interest given to the printing of *The Corinthian*.

MR. M. ARNOLD DAFFIN
Instructor in Printing

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FRANCIS R. CARUSO (Jigs)

PRESIDENT of the CLASS

218 North 60th Street

Philadelphia, Pa.

Born: April 23, 1935

Course: General and Foundry

Activities: Soccer Team, '50, '51, '52; Basketball, '50-'51, '51-'52, '52-'53; Baseball, '51-'53; Swimming, '51; Championship Soccer Team, '51; Co-captain Baseball Team, '52 and '53; Cadet Major of Battalion, S-1 to S-2; Color Guard, J-1; Echelon, 10B; First Place Competitive Drill, 10B; President of Class, J-1 and S-2; Student Faculty Committee, S-1 and S-2; Student Court, S-1; Student Council, S-1 and S-2; Centennial Pageant, '48; Glee Club, J-2 to S-2; Dramatic Club, S-1 and S-2; Chairman of House Committee in Student Council, S-2; Athletic Committee, J-1 and S-2; Cultural Olympics, J-1 and J-2; Vice-President of Glee Club, S-2; All-independent Soccer Team, '52.

One of the greatest athletes and leaders in the College, "Jigs" has proved over and over again his value to the school. Full of fun and humor, and with a natural regard for others, "Jigs" is immensely popular on the campus. With all his wonderful attributes, he is bound to be successful.

Dear Classmates:

The day has finally arrived—the day when we must suddenly open our eyes to the realization of a life that shall never be again. It is a life gone forever.

Yet, let us stop and think for a moment. Is it gone, in the sense that we shall never again be aware of its existence? Is it merely a fantasy of the hastened and forgotten past or is it a shrine upon which we can build our future success? Will it shine predominately as a vivid reality that will serve to guide us to wanted happiness and security?

That, my brothers, is up to each one of you individually. You have a great heritage to cherish and extend. Don't let it come tumbling down upon your head.

Be confident. Take with you your friends in your memories. To you the way is open. You now become the builders of something else. Build strong and wisely. Your foundation will never fall. May the training and memories of this cherished past help to make you useful and hold you steadfast in the troublesome world outside, and may you always be as willing to help others as you have so unfalteringly helped me as your chosen leader.

Be good to the great name of Girard. May God speed you on your way!

Sincerely,

Francis R. Caruso

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PHILIP L. MULLEN (Moon)
PRESIDENT of the STUDENT BODY

Course: Regular and Printing
Activities: Student Cabinet, J-2; Student Assembly, J-2; Chairman of Caen Committee, J-2 to S-1; National Honor Society, J-2 to S-2; Gym Team, '52-'53; Jesse B. Manbeck Award, J-2; Student Council, S-1; Vice-President of Student Council, S-1; Magazine Staff, S-1; Students Court, S-1 and S-2; Secretary of Rifle Club, S-1; President of Rifle Club, S-2; President of Student Body, S-2; Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1.

Phil's efficiency will be greatly missed after he leaves Girard. He always knew what to do, how to do it, and how to get it done. Fellows who can take on loads of leadership and responsibility so capably are few. Good luck, Phil! If you can accomplish outside what you did for Girard, you're a sure success.

Dear Fellow Girardians:

When one leaves the place that has been his home for eight years, it is not easy, I assure you, to express all that he feels for others. Today I am graduating with deep sadness in my heart because I am leaving security, kindness, sincerity, and brotherly counsel which comes to a boy in no place as they have come to me at Girard. It is my hope that you too will realize this and strive to increase the fame our alumni have already earned for Girard College. Perhaps my choice bit of philosophy will help you; I have used it successfully all my life. "The greatest treasure in the world is not what others lose because you possess it, but the one which all can possess alike. Only then can a man's wealth promote his neighbor's."

Girard is indeed a great school. It will continue to be what you make it.

Sincerely,

Philip L. Mullen

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ROBERT W. PATTON (Bob)
VICE-PRESIDENT

Course: Regular and Machine
Activities: Vice-president of Class, J-1 to S-2; Baseball Team, '52-'53; Soccer Team, '52; Captain of Intramural Basketball, J-2; Dramatic Club, J-2 to S-2; *Little Father of the Wilderness*; Rifle Club, S-1; Student Court Officer, S-1; President Judge, S-2; Captain of Co. C, S-2; Centennial Pageant, '48.

Irish—that's Bob. Irish in his contagious smile, his love of humor, and his ability as leader and athlete. His insatiable interest in current events has made him quite the "trapper."

WALTER W. HARRIS (Bubs)
SECRETARY-TREASURER



Course: General and Clerical
Activities: Centennial Pageant, '48; Echelon, J-2; Guidon, Co. C, S-2; Glee Club, J-2, S-1; Secretary-Treasurer of Class, S-1, S-2; Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1; CORINTHIAN Staff, S-2; Intramural Basketball Champions, '53.

To find a word of disrespect for Walt would be hard. His contagious smile and easy-going, efficient manner have constantly put us at ease.



GEORGE L. ANDERSON (George)

Course: Regular and Clerical

Activities: Corresponding Secretary of Student Council, S-2; House Committee Chairman, S-2; Ex-officio Member of Student Council, S-2; Typist, *Girard Magazine*, S-1; Head Bookkeeper of Student Center, S-1; Manager of Student Center, S-2; CORINTHIAN Staff, S-2; Student-Faculty Committee, S-2; Assistant Manager, Swimming Team, '50.

"Andy" is quiet, friendly and well-liked. An ambitious fellow with a well-defined set of ideals which he sticks to regardless of odds, he is always willing to go out of his way to help others.

EDWARD P. ARMSTRONG (Louie)



Course: Regular and Clerical

Activities: Lieutenant in Recruits, S-1; Lieutenant in Co. D, S-2; Secretary of Dramatic Club, S-2; Foreign Trader's Association Essay Contest, National Winner, S-1; Second Prize in *How I Can Improve Girard College*, 10B; Reporter, *Girard News*, J-1; *Girard Magazine* Staff, S-1; Exchange Editor of *Magazine*, S-2; CORINTHIAN Staff, S-2; Manager of Gym Team, '52-'53; Caen Committee, 9B, 10A, J-1.

Ed, better known as "Louie", will always be remembered as a sincere, earnest worker with plenty of ability.

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WILLIAM C. BISPELS (Bis)

Course: General and Clerical

Activities: Student Council, S-2; First Sergeant Co. C, S-2; Glee Club, S-2; Echelon, J-2; Dramatic Club member, J-2 to S-2; Dramatic Club, *In the Zone*, *The Ambush*; Intramural Soccer Champs, S-1; Concert Band, 10-A.

Every group has its comedian—the fellow who brings a smile to a sour face and a song to a listless heart. "Bis" is the happy heart of our class. Long after the athletes and scholars have been forgotten, "Bis's" quips and stories will still remain vivid.



THOMAS G. BLEST (Tom)

Course: General and Clerical

Activities: Basketball Squad, '52, '53; Glee Club, J-2 to S-2; Dramatic Club, J-2 to S-2; *In the Zone*; Firing Squad, J-2; Lieutenant in Recruits, J-2; First Lieutenant in Co. B, S-2.
Big in stature and big in heart, Tom will be remembered for his generosity and friendliness. An easy-going, happy guy with plenty of ambition and a sincere interest in others, Tom is sure to go a long way in life.

KENNETH W. BROWN (Ken)

Course: Regular and Drafting

Activities: Assembly Representative, '49; Drill Band, 8B to 10A; Concert Band, 10-A to J-2; Dramatic Club Art Staff, S-1; CORINTHIAN Staff, S-2; Cultural Olympics, J-1; National Honor Society, S-2; Student Court, S-2.

Ken is irreplaceable. His good looks, friendly personality, and other remarkable traits exemplify real value. Without a doubt, he should find no trouble in reaching a high place in the world outside.



ROBERT BROWN (Bob)

Course: General and Printing

Activities: Echelon, J-2; Second Place Single Competitive Drill, S-1; Color Guard, S-1; First Lieutenant in Recruits, S-2; Soccer, '51, '52; Firing Squad, S-2; Championship Soccer Team, '51; Honorable Mention for All-Independent Team, '51; Basketball, '52; Baseball, '53; Glee Club, S-1, S-2; Girard News room, S-1.
Throughout his life here, Bob has displayed real prowess again and again on the athletic field and in the Print Shop. His unique laughter and singular ways will bring him popularity.

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JOHN J. CAPORALETTI (Gab)

Course: General and Sheet Metal

Activities: Drill Band, 9A to 9B; Concert Band, 10A to S-2; Captain of Concert Band, S-2; Cultural Olympics, '50, '51, '52; Swing Band, 10B, J-1, J-2, S-2; George G. Simcock Prize in Metal Work, J-2; Dramatic Club, J-2 to S-2; Sound Effects for *In the Zone*; Little Father of the Wilderness, J-2; CORINTHIAN Staff, S-2. The center of many gatherings, John will always stand as a born man of ambition and ideals. His clever additions to the emcee roles and his own original humor gained him many friends.

JOHN F. CHAMBERS (Jack)

Course: Regular and Printing

Activities: Centennial Pageant, '48; Wrestling Team Manager, '51, '52, '53; School Committee, 10B; *Girard News* columnist, J-2; *Girard Magazine* staff, 10B to S-1; Ass't editor, S-1; Co-Editor-in-Chief, S-2.

Jack's friendly humor and unique way of doing things have gained him many good friends here. His accomplishments, though few, are strong and permanent. Always a good sport, Jack was a vital part of our class.



SEYMOUR H. CLEFF (Sems)

Course: Regular and Drafting

Activities: Centennial Pageant, '48; Drill Band, 7B to 10B; Concert Band, S-1 to S-2; Lt. in Concert Band, S-2; Student Assembly, J-2; Swimming Squad, '51 to '52; Glee Club, J-2 to S-1; Senior Lifesaving, '52.

Sey, as we all know him, carries a smile from ear to ear. Quiet and unassuming, he has made many contributions to the happiness of others.

JOHN E. CONSTANTINE (Connie)

Course: General and Printing

Activities: Drill Band, '49; Soccer Team, '51, '52; City Championship Soccer Team, '51; All-independent Soccer Team, '52; Echelon, '52, '53; Sergeant in Battalion, S-2.

Maybe we ought to call him "Kangaroo". Whether in or out, "Connie" has always been the focus of our friendship. His humorous ways and everlasting smile will never fade from our memories; nor will they soon be forgotten by any of the fairer ones.



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STEPHEN R. CRAWFORD (Steve)

Course: General and Carpentry

Activities: Sergeant Major, S-2; Echelon, S-1; Glee Club, J-1 to S-2; Centennial Pageant, '48; Dramatic Club, S-1 and S-2; Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1.

Good looking, modest, and friendly—best describe Steve. His flashing smile, his great love of fun, and his many devilish ways will be remembered. A big hit with his classmates, and a bigger hit with the girls, Steve is sure to go places.



CARMAN J. DeFAZIO (Beaver)



Course: General and Printing

Activities: First Sergeant Co. D, S-2; Student Council, J-1; Guard News room, S-1; Dramatic Club, S-2.

On the athletic field or in the sky, "Beaver" was always popular among his classmates. A sincere worker, he's undoubtedly one of the best printers the "bum" has ever turned out. "Beaver's" friendly smile and pleasant personality are his great assets.

ANTHONY J. DiCROCE (Reds)

Course: General and Sheetmetal

Activities: Cultural Olympics, '51; Glee Club, S-1 and S-2; Centennial Pageant, '48; Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1; Captain Adjutant in Battalion, S-1 and S-2.

"Reds", a sure-fire applicant for the space cadets, is bound to be a success. Always a friend willing to help out, "Reds" should really go places. After all, his hopes are high.



RICHARD L. ECKARD (Rich)



Course: General and Sheetmetal

Activities: Glee Club, J-1 to S-2; Echelon, J-2; Treasurer of Glee Club, S-2; First Sergeant Co. A, S-2; Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1; Rifle Club, '52.

"Rich" will be missed sorely not only by his friends but also by all who have ever met him. Popular among his classmates, "Rich" was even more popular among the girls. In his presence, there was never a dull moment.



WILLIAM EICHELBERGER (Ike)

Course: Regular and Machine Shop
Activities: First Lt. in Concert Band, S-2; Swing-Band Vocalist, S-2; Dramatic Club, J-2 to S-2; Glee Club, J-2 to S-1.
"Ike", as he is known to all, was always a happy, genial guy to have around. Kind, generous, and amusing, he has firmly established his devotion to his classmates and friends. It is because of this, that we all admire him so much.

WILLIAM J. EPPLEY (Epps)



Course: Regular and Automobile Shop
Activities: Glee Club, J-2 to S-2; Sergeant in Co. A, S-2; Echelon, S-2; Centennial Pageant, '48; Rifle Club, S-1.
We will never forget Bill's warm humor and lively jokes. Always ready to join in the fun and become a part of the crowd, "Epps" made himself a companion to all. Sincere, capable, and full of ideas, he is sure to be prominent in years to come.



GEORGE D. FISHER (Fish)

Course: Regular and Drafting
Activities: Drill Band, 8B-10A; Concert Band, 10A to S-2; Lieutenant in Concert Band, S-2; Swing Band, 10B to S-2; Leader of Swing Band, S-2; Centennial Pageant, '48; Gym Team, '52-'53; Manual Arts Award, 6B; Dramatic Club, S-1; Glee Club, S-1; Cultural Olympics, '52 and '53; Student Center, S-2; Student Court, S-2; Co-Captain of Gym Team, S-2.
It is hard to describe George's versatility. Whatever he endeavors to do, he always comes out on top. As a musician, gymnast, and friend, George is among the best.

GEORGE S. GARMAN (George)



Course: Regular and Clerical
Activities: Centennial Pageant, '48; Individual Drill Honors, '53; Color Guard, S-2; Echelon, J-1; Rifle Club, S-1; Dramatic Club, S-2.
George has acquired a reputation as the senior with the most ambition. Though the field of law has attracted his most serious attention, he has proved to be a willing and friendly mixer at all times.

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JOHN R. HANCOCK (John)

Course: Regular and Clerical

Activities: Radio Program "Man On The Street," '47; Glee Club, J-2 to S-1; Dramatic Club, J-2 to S-2; President of Dramatic Club, S-2; *Girard News*, J-2; *Girard Magazine*, J-1 to S-2; Feature Editor of *Girard Magazine*, S-1; Co-Editor-in-Chief of *Girard Magazine*, S-2; Assistant Editor-in-Chief of *CORINTHIAN*, S-2; Student Center, S-2.

John is quiet, optimistic, and progressive. He will be remembered for the many contributions he made to our lives here at Girard.



WILLIAM L. KERR (Parks)



JOHN P. KINSEY (Coon)

Course: Regular and Electrical

Activities: Centennial Pageant, '48; Choir, '47, '48; Student Assembly, '48, '49; Echelon, S-2; Guidon Co. D, S-2; Fencing Team, '50, '51, '52; Captain of Fencing Team, S-2; Student Center, S-2; All-star Intramural Softball Team, '52.

"Cooney" was a sincere, fun-loving fellow who always knew what he wanted and how to get it. His vast abilities and generous outlook on life, plus his sterling traits of character and personality, have made our stay at Girard increasingly happier.



ELDEN B. KUNKLE (E.)



Course: Regular and Drafting

Activities: American Legion Award, 7B; Swimming Team, '49-'53; Captain of Swimming Team, '51-'53; President of Class S-1; Student Council, S-1; Chairman Social Committee, S-1; Student-Faculty Committee, S-2; Vice-President of Student Body, S-2; National Honor Society, J-2 to S-2; Editor-in-Chief of *CORINTHIAN*, S-2; Soccer Team, S-1; Baseball, J-2, S-2; Dramatic Club, J-2 to S-2; Sergeant Quartermaster in Color Guard, S-2; Echelon, J-2; President of National Honor Society, S-2.

Elden's sincerity and excellent abilities have made him indispensable to the growth of our class. Interested in the welfare of "bummers" and Girard, he has built a great name for himself.

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FRANCIS G. KWIATKOWSKI (Twa)

Course: General and Carpentry

Activities: Soccer Squad, '51; Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1; Concert Band, '50-'52; Centennial Pageant, '48; Cultural Olympics, '51; Band 7A to 10B.

Although Fran, or "Twa" as he is more popularly known, has borne the bruses of many jests, he will always linger in our hearts as a true friend and classmate. A shy fellow with the girls, but friendly to all, Fran is sure to be a big hit wherever he goes.

JOHN W. LAUFFER (John)



Course: Regular and Foundry

Activities: Athletic Committee, 10A-10B; Echelon, J-2; Guidon, Co. A, '52 and '53; Baseball Team, '52 and '53; Soccer Team, '52; Centennial Pageant, '48; Artist of Dramatic Club, '52.

With all his natural abilities, John is a cinch to go a long way in life. His vivid imagination and warm humor will gain him friends wherever he goes. John was well-liked and admired by everyone. To his classmates he was the particular friend, and will always remain just that.



ROBERT LEAVESLEY (Lee)

Course: General and Pattern Making

Activities: Vice-President of Glee Club, S-2; Dramatic Club, '52-'53, "Little Father of the Wilderness"; Band, 7A to J-2; Swing Band, J-1 to J-2; Centennial Pageant, '48; Cultural Olympics, S-1; Social Committee, 10A to J-1; Soccer, '52; Intramural Basketball Champions, '53.

A lively sense of humor, a "catty" set of ideals, and a kind word for all. These have sent Bob zooming to the top of our popularity list. Although most of his attraction is with the tender sex, Bob has never failed to regard his classmates as most important of all.

PAUL G. LING (Paul)



Course: General and Clerical

Activities: Dramatic Club, S-1 to S-2; Treasurer of Dramatic Club, S-2 "The Boy Comes Home"; Centennial Pageant, '48; Student Center, S-1; Assistant Manager of Student Center, S-2. Paul should be our real success. We will always remember him for his high ideals and seriousness of purpose. With intense desire to get ahead, Paul should never fail.

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JOHN S. MATTHEWS (Matt)

Course: Regular and Electrical
Quiet, responsible, and friendly John has gained recognition primarily for his unusual electrical ability. As an engineer or as a classmate, he has always served capably and willingly.



MATTHEW J. MEIZINGER (Miza)



MICHAEL MORUCCI (Mike)

Course: Regular and Electrical
Activities: Supply Sergeant in Battalion, J-2 to S-1; Sergeant Clerk, S-2; Dramatic Club, J-2 to S-2; Wrestling Team, '51-'53; Track Team, '53; Caen Committee, 10B to J-2; *Girard News* Reporter, J-1; columnist, J-2; Rifle Club, S-1 to S-2; Student Center, S-2.
Friendly and warm, Mike was usually the center of many "pile-ups." His fame as a "dogger" is probably the most noteworthy of all his achievements. Ambitious, Mike has many plans for the future.



ROBERT A. MORTON (Bob)



Course: General and Electrical
Activities: Vice-President of Class, 9A and 9B; Rifle Club, S-1 to S-2; Vice-President of Rifle Club, S-2; Senior Life Saving, J-2. *Bob is a superb friend to those who know him best. Although his main interests lie in the electronics field, Bob was never too busy to exchange a happy greeting. His easy-going manner and happy disposition make him "tops" with us.*



BERNARD F. MURRAY (Murs)

Course: General and Machine Shop
 Activities: Centennial Pageant, '48; Echelon, J-2; Captain of Recruits, S-2; Glee Club, '52-'53; *Girard Magazine* Staff, '51; Soccer Team, '51 and '52; Co-captain of Swimming Team, S-2; Swimming Team, '49-'53; Baseball Team, '52 to '53; Medal Swimming Award, '48; Championship Soccer Team, '51.
"Murs" is a pal to everyone. His sincerity of purpose and willingness to get the job done right have made him popular with everyone at Girard. Honest, helpful, and true to all his friends, "Murs" will long be remembered.

PETER MUTONE (Rocco)



Course: Regular and Electrical
 Activities: Centennial Pageant, '48; Captain of Co. A, S-2; Soccer Team, S-1; All-independent Soccer Team, S-1; All-Scholastic Soccer Team, S-1; Track Team, '50, '51, '52, '53; Wrestling Team, '52, '53; Co-captain of Wrestling Team, '51 and '52; Captain of Wrestling Team, '53; Dramatic Club, J-2 to S-2; Swing Band, S-2 Electrical Shop Prize, J-2.
"Rocco's" high-pitched laughter and rollicking sense of humor were unique. Add to them intelligence, good looks, and a bit of sarcasm, and you have a good picture of "the little rock."



WILLIAM T. OWENS (Bush)

Course: General and Machine Shop
 Activities: Gym Team, '49 to '53; Co-captain of Gym Team, '52; Captain of Gym Team, '53; Mythical City Champions in Gym, '52; Captain of Co. B, S-2; Glee Club, '52-'53; President of Glee Club, S-2; Cultural Olympics, '51 and '52; Track Team, '52. Bill was the source of many amusing hours for us in Girard. His great desire for fun and jokes was an everyday occurrence. A capable leader and a hard worker, Bill has big intentions for the future.

HOMER H. PATTERSON (Homer)



Course: General and Printing
 Activities: Lieutenant in Recruits, J-2 and S-1; Student Council, Student-Faculty Committee, S-1; Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1; Lieutenant Co. D, S-2.
Although small in size, Homer's deficiency was made up in largeness of mind. A hard worker with ambition, he is sure to be a success in whatever he attempts.

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ROBERT S. POLSZ (Potsy)

Course: Regular and Drafting

Activities: Glee Club, J-2 to S-1; First Sergeant Co. B, S-2; Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1; Echelon, J-2.

Bob was always a shy, yet resourceful person. He has made countless numbers of friends because of his unceasing willingness to help and participate. Always generous and considerate, Bob was a cornerstone in the foundation of the class.



STANLEY PUSTILNICK (Pusty)

Course: Regular and Printing

Activities: Sergeant in Battalion, S-2; Echelon, S-2; Baseball Squad, '53; Captain of Intramural Basketball, S-2.

If "Pusty" is ever as enthusiastic in life as he is on the baseball diamond, he will surely be a winner. His constant friendship and willingness to participate can boost all his aims. To "Pusty" the best of luck!

THOMAS A. SHIELS (Tom)



Course: General and Printing

Activities: Glee Club, J-1 to S-2; Band, 7A to J-1; Harmony Club, '52; Treasurer of Rifle Club, S-2; Rifle Club, S-1, S-2; Manager of Basketball Team, S-2; Life Saving Award, J-2; *Girard News* Reporter, J-1; *Girard Magazine*, 10B to S-2; Feature Editor *Girard Magazine*, S-2; Echelon, S-2; CORINTHIAN Staff, S-2; Art Club, 10B; Reporter, Steel and Garnet.

Tom, the quiet, modest, sincere fellow, proved to be an outstanding classmate. Known by all who came in contact with him as an earnest worker, Tom was the laughing kind who loved his humor deeply.



PAUL R. SMALLACOMBE (Smell)

Course: General and Automobile Shop

Activities: Echelon, J-1; Rifle Club, S-1; Basketball Squad, '51-'52, '52-'53; Executive Officer of Rifle Club, S-2.

Paul has always been held in high regard by all his friends. A quiet, willing fellow, he is responsible and trustworthy. Because of this, his friends have never had reason to be dissatisfied.

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RAYMOND C. SMITH (Ray)

Course: Regular and Printing

Activities: Basketball Team, '51-'52; '52-'53; Baseball Team, '52, '53; Soccer Team, S-1; Student Council, 10A; Lieutenant in Recruits, J-1; Firing Squad, J-1; First Lieutenant in Co. C, S-2; Centennial Pageant, '48.

Though Ray symbolizes the old principle "Silence is golden," he is still active in almost all events. "Smitty" is the top example of friendship. He will long be remembered for the unbeatable characteristics which have made him so popular.

RICHARD L. SMITH (Smitty)



Course: Regular and Automobile Shop

Activities: Centennial Pageant, '48; Glee Club, J-2 to S-2; Lieutenant in Recruits, J-2; Lieutenant in Co. C, S-1 and S-2; Rifle Club, S-1.

"Smitty" was in all truth and sincerity one of the quietest and most ambitious of all our classmates. His steadfast beliefs and his constant interest in things around him made him a popular figure. We commend "Smitty" especially for the many ideals he introduced and stuck to in spite of great odds.



THEODORE A. SMITH (Smitty)

Course: General and Pattern Making

Activities: First Lieutenant in Co. D, S-2; Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1; Single Competitive Drill Award, J-2.

"Smitty" is known to all as a great classmate and true friend. Although not big in size, Ted makes it up in bigness of heart. His willingness to help and his great love of fun have paid big dividends. To you, Ted, we wish lots of luck.

ROBERT D. STIRLING (Sid)



Course: Regular and Carpentry

Activities: Glee Club, J-1 and J-2; Soccer Team, S-1; Baseball Team, '52, '53; Basketball Squad, '51-'52; Student Cabinet, J-2; President of Class, J-2; Guidon Co. B, S-1; Color Guard, S-2; Echelon, J-2; WGC Record Review, S-2.

"Sid", as he is popularly known, is a true friend. His fabulous kindness and generosity will never be equaled or forgotten. Although very modest, his extraordinary shyness never deterred him from displaying proficiency in anything he undertook.

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FRANK STOFFA (Frank)

Course: Regular and Drafting

Activities: Centennial Pageant '48; Track Squad, '52; Gym Squad, '52; Assembly Representative, 7A to J-1; Student Cabinet, J-1; Concert Band, 10A, J-1; CORINTHIAN Staff, S-2; First Prize Early Eighties, S-1; "How I Can Improve Girard College."

A good mind and sincere ambition make Frank one of the stand-outs in our class. Always capable of succeeding in whatever he undertook to do, he has secured a position of high respect among us all.



FRANCIS SWAHL (Swup)



Course: General and Printing

Activities: Glee Club, J-1 to S-2; Captain of Co. D, S-2; Gym Team, Mythical City Champions in Gym, '51; Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1.

Frank, the fellow with the everlasting smile and endless capacity for happiness, has contributed a great deal in the molding of our class. His pleasant disposition and constant friendliness have endeared him to all of us.

MICHAEL W. SWITCH (Mike)

Course: Regular and Machine Shop

Activities: Vice-President of Class, J-1; Secretary of Rifle Club, S-2; Second Lieutenant in Concert Band, S-2; Drill Band, 7A to 10B; Concert Band, 10B to S-2.

Mike is the proud possessor of many attributes. He is one of the few fellows who are willing to admit his faults and discuss his minor frailties. Always willing to improve himself and to help others, he has gained everyone's admiration.



DANIEL L. THOMAS (Dan)



Course: General and Electrical

Activities: Student Council, '49; Wrestling Team, '51, '52; Echelon, J-2; Color Guard S-2; Single Competitive Drill Award, S-1; Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1.

The butt of endless ribbing, Dan has proved to be the greatest sport in our class. To him we owe a debt of gratitude, for without his presence there would surely have been many dull moments.



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"In the life of a young man the most essential thing for happiness is the gift of friendship."
—Sir William Osler

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"A true friend is the greatest of all blessings."
—La Rochefoucauld



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CHARLES F. UMBRELL (Chumbs)

Course: General and Carpentry

Activities: Lieutenant in Recruits, J-2; Firing Squad, J-2; First Lieutenant Co. A, S-2; Echelon, J-2; Centennial Pageant, '48; Dramatic Club, S-1 and S-2; Co-captain Intramural Soccer Champions, S-1; Intramural Basketball Team, S-2; Manager of Basketball Team, '51 to '52; Senior Life Saving, '51.

"Happy, go lucky"—that's "Chumbs". He was always willing to help and to participate. Wherever he was, "Chumbs" never failed to bring a smile to your face and a warmth to your heart.

LOUIS VENUTI (Lou)



Course: General and Clerical

Activities: Intramural Basketball, '53.

Always active, Lou has really been the regular "cat" at our dances. Who will ever forget his "loadie" tales of "South Philly"? Although the target of many jokes, Lou is held in deep respect by all his friends.

In Memoriam

ROBERT SPAULDING

September 24, 1935—September 4, 1951

*And the tear that we shed, though in secret it rolls,
Shall long keep his memory green in our souls.*

—Thomas Moore

Allen Hall Life



Left to Right: Dr. White, Dr. Zeil, Mr. Maillardet, Mrs. Maillardet

In the final term of our Girard life we have learned to live as citizens of a small community. Allen Hall is the climax and reward of all our efforts.

For feeling such affections as we entertain for Allen Hall there must be a reason. It could be in the freedom of action that we have enjoyed, the private rooms, or the geniality of the housemasters. Most of us divine that it is none of these, but rather it is the existence of the little amenities and privileges that have made life enjoyable. While we rushed around doing one job after another, we still found time to imbibe the horney atmosphere of our hall. The little free time that was ours we spent either in our rooms or on the first floor where the whole atmosphere will always be one of nostalgic import. For us who have had little home life since we entered Girard, Allen Hall has been a haven of happiness.

All that our class is we owe to Girard College. In our hearts we know that we can never hope to repay that debt, but of all the pleasant influences of our school we feel that Allen's rank foremost.

Our class is deeply obligated to Dr. Zeil, Dr. White, and Mr. and Mrs. Maillardet for their patience. They have counselled us on numerous occasions. From their store of knowledge they have labored constantly to develop us into fine, useful citizens. We will always remember the fatherly advice rendered by our masters, and the little snacks which were arranged by Dr. White and Mr. and Mrs. Maillardet. Much of our enjoyment in this hall we owe to these four wonderful friends who have given all and asked nothing. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

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Can You Imagine?

ARMSTRONG	Without his notebooks
ANDERSON	Behind the pack
BISPELS	Acting serious
BLEST	Without his "friends"
BROWN, K.	Taking ugly pills
BROWN, R.	Not loving the very ground he stands on
CAPORALETTI	Having not a single thing to say
CARUSO	4-F
CHAMBERS	Without his personality
CLEFF	Being a "cool cat"
CONSTANTINE ...	Reforming
CRAWFORD	Being shy
DEFAZIO	As a space cadet
DICROCE	Grounded
ECKARD	Not making out with a "wallie"
EICHELBERGER	Living above the Mason-Dixon Line
EPPLEY	Taking a trolley home
FISHER Fasting
GARMAN	Cool, calm, and collected
HARRIS	Without "Mitzi"
HANCOCK	A physical-education instructor
KERR	Laughing at someone's jokes
KINSEY	A Fuller brush man
KUNKLE	Flunking
KWIATKOWSKI	Hunting ducks
LAUFFER	Telling the whole truth, and nothing but the truth
LEAVESLEY	Conservative
LING	A convicted embezzler
MATTHEWS	Full of vitality
MEIZINGER	Wearing a "beanie"
MORTON	Taking a size "7" shoe
MORUCCI	On time
MULLEN	Not a B.M.O.C.
MURRAY	Carefree
OWENS	A Harvard graduate
PATTERSON	A public speaker
PATTON	Sombre
POLSZ	Having his name spelled correctly
PUSTILNICK	Acting his age
SHIELS	Marrying a "guppy"
SMALLACOMBE	As "Mr. Peepers"
SMITH, RAY	Not mauling anyone
SMITH, RICHARD	Careful in Chemistry Lab.
SMITH, T.	Minding his own business
STIRLING	A teacher's pet
STOFFA	With his own bankroll
SWAHL	Without Carol B.
SWITCH	Agreeing
THOMAS	A second "Gorgeous George"
UMBRELL	A sophisticated connoisseur
VENUTI	Minus his mirror

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We Also Bequeath:

ANDERSON	A Dean set
ARMSTRONG	A trip to Lapland
BISPELS	His own true love
BLEST	Some new fans
K. BROWN	A handle-bar moustache
R. BROWN	A mirror and a sponge
CAPORALETTI	A pug nose
CARUSO	A marriage license
CHAMBERS	A professional rating
CLEFF	A pound of flesh
CONSTANTINE	A lower wall
CRAWFORD	A peace treaty
DEFAZIO	Hair
DICROCE	F-86 with NATO
ECKARD	A dozen rats
EICHEBERGER	Spurs
FPPLLEY	A shovel
FISHFR	Lessons from Glen Miller
GARMAN	Open season on teachers
HANCOCK	Segregation
HARRIS	A Baby Browny Special
KERR	A turned-up collar
KINSEY	A zoo keeper
KUNKLE	His own shoes
KWIATKOWSKI	A psychiatrist
LAUFFER	A real scout
LEAVESLEY	A '53" blond
LING	A smile
MATTHEWS	A T-Bone steak
MEIZINGER	A tribe of head hunters
MORTON	More cosmetics
MORUCCI	Immunity
MULLEN	Ben-Gay for a change; a home in civilization
MURRAY	A peck of potatoes
MUTONE	A rattle
OWENS	A dog license
PATTERSON	Some youngsters
PATTON	A ballet skirt
POLSZ	Nails for his hammer toe
PUSTILNICK	Actual statistics
SHIELS	Some guppies
SMALLACOMBE	Mr. Peepers
RAY SMITH	A date
RICHARD SMITH	Naturalization papers
T. SMITH	A new Ike jacket
STIRLING	A box of stones
STOFFA	A head
SWAHL	A new steady
SWITCH	A new nickname
THOMAS	100 pounds
UMBRELL	A new jacket
VENUTI	Stock in the A's

Student Center



Left to Right: J. Matthews, P. Ling, C. MacGregor, G. Anderson

During the five years that the Student Center has been in existence it has made numerous strides forward in the attempt to better itself both as a store and as a center for student activity. The store does not have any fountain service yet or any really expanded business enterprises, nor does it have complete student cooperation, but it is always striving for these goals. Our class has contributed greatly toward the progress of the store. George Anderson, who has been active there since he was a freshman, was the incumbent in the manager's position. We would like to commend George on his successful completion of one of the most difficult jobs in Girard. He was ably assisted by Paul Ling as Assistant Manager. We would also like to congratulate Paul on a job well done.

John Matthews served as electrical advisor and technician. John Kinsey, Michael Switch, Frank Stoffa, and John Hancock also lent a helping hand toward the running of the center. We wish to thank Mr. Caswell E. MacGregor, Jr. for giving his time and help as faculty sponsor.

National Honor Society



Front Row: E. Armstrong, E. Kunkle, P. Mullen
Back Row: J. Hancock, K. Brown, G. Anderson

Our class was well represented in the Girard College chapter of the National Honor Society. Elden Kunkle was elected president, Phil Mullen vice-president, and Ed Armstrong secretary. George Anderson, Ken Brown, and John Hancock rounded out the group.

The National Honor Society is the hardest organization to make in any school. It is only the all-round boy who can measure up to the qualities required for admittance: service, character, leadership, and scholarship. Since the N.H.S. is a nationwide institution, certainly the very best we have to offer should be represented in it; we are proud to say that it is.

Dr. Morris Wolf, Head of the Social Studies Department, has served as sponsor and advisor to this group. The members of the N.H.S. wish to express their appreciation of Dr. Wolf, a gentleman and a scholar, for all he has done for the organization. If the situation allowed it, he would be a member of the N.H.S. himself.

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Battalion



First Row: F. Swahl, W. Owens, B. Murray, F. Caruso, A. DiCroce, W. Kerr, R. Patton, P. Mutone
Second Row: T. Smith, R. Brown, T. Blest, E. Armstrong, F. Umbrell, H. Patterson, R. Smith
Third Row: W. Bispels, R. Eckard, R. Smith, S. Crawford, E. Kunkle, R. Polsz, M. Morucci
Fourth Row: J. Lauffer, C. DeFazio, J. Kinsey

In the next few years, most of us in the graduating class will find ourselves in the uniforms of our country. Undoubtedly, the expert training we received in the battalion will prove beneficial in our military careers.

The Class of June 1953 was well represented with responsible positions in the Battalion. On the Staff this term as Cadet-Major was the extremely capable Francis Caruso, ably assisted by Captain Adjutant Anthony DiCroce, Captain Inspector Larry Kerr, and Recruit-Captain Bernard Murray. The Captains of the four companies in order, beginning with Company A, were Peter Mutone, William Owens, Bob Patton, and Francis Swahl. Our class boasts of the following company lieutenants: Charles Umbrell, Thomas Blest, Ray Smith, Richard Smith, Edward Armstrong, Theodore Smith, and Homer Patterson. Assisting Captain Murray in the recruits was Lieutenant Bob Brown. Dependable Michael Morucci held the position of Lieutenant-clerk. Serving as first sergeants, beginning with Company A, were Richard Eckard, Robert Polsz, William Bispels, and Carman DeFazio. Walter Harris, John Kinsey and Johnny Lauffer were our class' company guidons.

Not overlooked, of course, was the color guard, which was under the leadership of Sergeant-Major Stephen Crawford and Sergeant-Quartermaster Elden Kunkle. Also represented from our class in the guard were Daniel Thomas, Robert Stirling, and George Garman.

At this time the Class of June 1953 would like to extend their sincerest appreciation to Colonel James M. Hamilton, whose untiring efforts in teaching us military tactics will be remembered and put to good use throughout our entire lives.

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Concert Band



Left to Right: G. Fisher, W. Eichelberger, J. Caporaletti, S. Cleff, M. Switch

With John Caporaletti as captain, Bill Eichelberger and Seymour Cleff as first lieutenants, and George Fisher and Michael Switch as second lieutenants, the Concert Band had an extremely successful season of concerts and parades under Mr. Robert Morrison's direction. John Caporaletti, better known as "Gabby," was made, through competitive exam and the band's voting, captain of the organization. "Gabby" has been with the musical organization of Girard for many years. He also served as a booming bass in the Glee Club. When not conducting, he plays a very good first-tenor sax. Seymour Cleff, pumping the baritone, has exhibited plenty of skill in the bands. Bill Eichelberger, a first lieutenant, has played a first flute and piccolo since sixth grade. George Fisher, a second lieutenant, occupies the first trumpet spot in the Concert Band and is leader of the swing band. Michael Switch, also a second lieutenant, plays second clarinet very well. Making use of the newly adopted program of exchange concerts with other schools, the Concert Band showed Palmyra High and Olney High how well they could play. The annual trip to the Zoological Garden here in Philadelphia, and the trip on the Wilson Line on the Delaware River, also gave the band a chance to demonstrate its skill.

The officers and players would like to take this opportunity to express their deep and sincere thanks to Mr. Morrison for his genuine interest and helpfulness all along the way this year.

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Dramatic Club



Left to Right: J. Caporaletti, T. Blest, P. Ling, P. Mutone, G. Fisher, W. Bispels, R. Leavesley, Mr. H. V. Andrews, M. Morucci, J. Hancock, S. Crawford, J. Kinsey, J. Chambers, E. Kunkle

The Girard College Dramatic Club, under the capable and talented leadership of John Hancock, William Bispels, and Paul Ling, has striven and succeeded in presenting successfully what is probably one of the most difficult stage plays, "Our Town." This play is obviously difficult because it involves no scenery or background, but maximum character portrayal.

"The Little Father of the Wilderness," "In the Zone," "The Boy Comes Home," and "The Ambush" are plays given in the past. Our Thespians participated in all of them.

You will all recall John Hancock's representation of the "uncle" in "The Boy Comes Home" and his convincing "stage manager" role in "Our Town." Elden Kunkle also did a great job as George Gibbs in "Our Town." Edward Armstrong, John Caporaletti, William Eichelberger, Paul Ling, and William Bispels were also successful in supporting roles in their respective productions.

Before ending our resume, the Class of June 1953, on behalf of the student body and Faculty, would like to express their sincere gratitude to the girls of Girls High who so cheerfully and successfully helped in our plays. May this practice of inviting them continue to improve Girard Dramatic Club productions.

To Mr. Henry V. Andrews, our coach and director, we are forever deeply grateful

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Glee Club



First Row: J. Caporaletti, W. Bispels, R. Eckard, R. Leavesley, W. Owens
Second Row: B. Brown, G. Fisher, T. Shiels, R. Smith, B. Murray
Third Row: F. Caruso, S. Crawford, D. Thomas, W. Eppley, T. Blest

Under the capable direction of Dr. Harry C. Banks, we have come to achieve an understanding and an enjoyment of music. We will long remember our Sunday morning processions, the weekly anthems, the Founder's Day concerts, and, above all, the Christmas Concert. There we were, facing a huge crowd of strange faces, waiting to hear what we sounded like. Slowly the lights went dim until the Chapel fell into complete darkness. Then we remembered: "This was the last one!"

With Bill Owens as our capable president and Bob Leavesley as vice-president, the class showed its talent. Our tenors were Bob Leavesley, Tony DiCroce, and Dan Thomas, who tuned in with the baritone voices of Bill Bispels, Bob Brown, and John Caporaletti. Way down in the bass section we find Tom Shiels, Tom Blest, Bill Owens, Dick Eckard, Buddy Murray, Bill Eppley, Richard Smith, and Charles Umbrell.

No one will ever forget Dr. Banks and Miss Stacks, the organist. To them we extend our sincerest thanks for their conscientious efforts and the invaluable vocal training they gave us.

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Publications



First Row: E. Armstrong, T. Shiels, J. Chambers, E. Kunkle, J. Hancock, J. Caporaletti, J. Lauffer
Second Row: F. Stoffa, K. Brown, H. Patterson, W. Harris, G. Anderson, R. Brown

Our class has been widely represented in our three publications.

The Magazine

The Girard Magazine elected Jack Chambers and John Hancock to lead them as co-editors-in-chief for the spring term. Assisting was Homer Patterson, who contributed much toward the layout. The job of the News Editor was capably filled by Tom Shiels, who wrote up the best available news. Circulation was handled by Eddie Armstrong. George Anderson served as Associate Editor.

The News

While The Girard News was in existence, it gave training in writing, copyreading, proofreading, journalism, and printing to the staff and the Print Shop students. Mike Morucci and Edward Armstrong wrote the Personality columns, while Jack Chambers secured the News Briefs and Junior High news. Other reporters were John Hancock and Tom Shiels.

The Corinthian

Under the leadership of Elden Kunkle, editor-in-chief, The Corinthian has come to a successful completion. We thank him for many laborious hours and Bob Brown for his hard work. The associate editors were John Hancock, Johnny Lauffer, Tom Shiels, Frank Stoffa, Edward Armstrong, Kenneth Brown, and John Caporaletti. Walt Harris did the "shutter-snapping."

Faculty Sponsors

We thank Dr. Haskell, who was untiring in his work, for the energy and time he spent on "The Corinthian" and "The Girard News." Mr. Lawrence's knowledge was immediately put to use. It has proved to be of great value to "The Magazine" which has increased in quality and in interest to the student body.

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Swing Band



Left to Right: J. Capoletti, J. Kinsey, G. Fisher, P. Mutone, W. Eichelberger

If you had had the chance to listen to George Fisher and his Moonlight Serenaders, you'd never forget them. The music is slightly less than sensational; but it wouldn't be in that category if Bill Eichelberger, John Capoletti, John Kinsey, and Pete Mutone hadn't put their efforts into the organization work.

George, elected by the band, put the outfit through their paces and turned out a season that resembles the finest ever had. He has contributed so many hours of labor that we all agree that it was a job well done.

Bill Eichelberger's soft, mellow voice couldn't possibly be heard if it weren't for Pete Mutone's and John Kinsey's capable adjusting of the microphone as the band electricians. John Capoletti blows a hot baritone sax. All of these boys acted as managers. Yes, for a very successful year, we thank George Fisher and his Moonlight Serenaders.

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Socials



MISS MIRIAM McGHEE
Director of Social Instruction

As we look back over our stay in the High School, perhaps the most outstanding aspect of our Girard life when it came to real enjoyment has been the wonderful social program in which we took an active part. From the beginning our class became one of the most socially minded in many years. After months of tutelage by Mr. Keenan in the gym, and hours of patient practice, we finally got beyond the first barrier. Dancing enthusiastically was the immediate result of our newly acquired skill. Every single member of our class turned out for the J-1 affair. It was a resounding success, but just the beginning. Then came success after success. For our J-1 coke party, the J-2 dance, the combination S-1—S-2 dance (in which we helped out the class before us), our own S-1 dance, the S-1 house party (for which we owe Mr. Lauris R. Wilson a strong vote of thanks), our S-2 dance, S-2 house party (again offering our appreciation to Dr. Zeil), and finally our Commencement Dance, the crowning glory, we are deeply grateful. Of course, we must not leave out the dances that were held for the various activities around the campus. The Officers' Hop, which from time immemorial has been a crashing success, the Dramatic Club dances, and receptions, the square dances led by Mr. Severy, and of course, the Swing Band Dance. All these affairs were honored by the presence of a great number of our classmates.

Looking back with happiness, we wish to thank John Caporaletti, "Reds" Eckard, and Bill Bispels for services rendered as masters of ceremonies at these affairs.

Of course the largest order of thanks goes to Miss Miriam McGhee for her unceasing efforts to improve the social standards of Girard and to make all our dances as enjoyable as possible.

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Soccer



First Row: J. Constantine, R. Leavesley, F. Caruso, B. Murray, P. Mutone, E. Kunkle

Second Row: R. Stirling, R. Patton, R. Brown, R. Smith, J. Lauffer

Under the capable leadership of all-independent fullback, Frank Caruso, the members of our class capably filled the need for soccer heroes gone by. A total of eleven men pulled down letters in this most popular of all Girard sports. A final tally of fourteen letters was collected.

On the line we were represented by a potentially great scoring machine. On the flanks, playing left and right wings respectively, were our two all-independent wing-men, "Rocco" Mutone and John Constantine. With them, leading the forward attack were Bob Leavesley, Elden Kunkle, and "Sid" Stirling.

At half-back we were certainly impressive with four spirited booters that formed the bulk of our many great offensives. Bob Patton, "Buddy" Murray, Ray Smith, and Johnny Lauffer all added to the bitter disappointment of our humbled opposition.

At full-back we were proud of our co-captain Frank Caruso. At the goal was surely one of the greatest goal tenders Girard has ever seen - Bob Brown.

During the two seasons of our class' representation on the team, Girard has proudly upheld her great name in the city soccer annals. In the fall of '51, we were thrilled to be a part of the city championship team. Although not so fortunate in '52, we enjoyed an undefeated record all the way down to the play-offs. Our greatest joy came in knowing that we were a part of a team that represented a great school.

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Gym



Left to Right: P. Mullen, W. Owens, G. Fisher, F. Stoffa

Winding up their careers as gymnasts this season in the Class of June 1953 are Bill Owens, George Fisher, Frank Stoffa, Francis Swahl, and Phil Mullen. The gym team this year was captained by Bill Owens and co-captained by George Fisher. Under their leadership we had a very successful season. Our class is proud to mention the fact that Phil Mullen unofficially broke the college rope climb record setting a new mark at four and two-tenths seconds.

Highlighting this year's schedule was the Annapolis meet. Although the Mid-dies won by only a slim margin, memories of this truly delightful trip will remain embedded in our minds for years to come.

Graduation will bring the loss of five high-scoring gymnasts, but we are hoping that next year's team will have an even more successful season. Our sincerest appreciation goes to Mr. Severy for his constructive and helpful guidance during our careers here.

Basketball



Left to Right: F. Umbrell, R. Brown, F. Caruso, R. Smith, T. Shiels

Though the overwhelming proportion of basketball material this year did not come from the Class of June 1953, what there was did a good job. They will be missed when the boys take the floor next fall.

Captain Frank Caruso, Ray Smith (Acting Captain), and Bob Brown represented our class and composed the backbone of the team's strength in most of the tight places. Frank, a versatile ball-handler of no small reputation, maintained leadership in able style. "Smitty" displayed fine marksmanship again and again and combined sterling efforts with those of Bob Brown to make a Class of 1953 picture in basketball. Although basketball has been a limited sport in the College from time to time, it promises to come into its own with something better than the eleven losses and one victory which we had this season.

Coach Lawrence has experienced what other coaches are up against in their earlier years in a new school—the problem of finding the material, getting them regularly into practice, and working out a plan of attack and defense that will "bring home the bacon." We feel confident that next year will produce unexpected improvement.

The coach has what it takes, the team has the spirit and the fight, potential material that should come into its own, a fine captain in Paul Curry, and fast, knowing players like Jim Buck and Ralph Lawson. The Class wishes the team and Mr. Lawrence the best of luck.

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Baseball



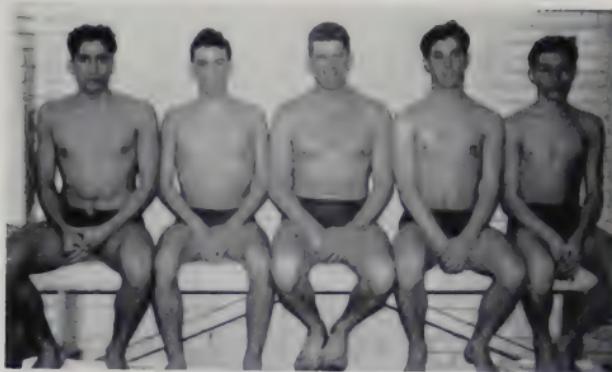
First Row: F. Umbrell, B. Murray, S. Pustilnick, E. Armstrong

Second Row: J. Lauffer, E. Kunkle, R. Stirling

Third Row: R. Smith, R. Patton, F. Caruso, R. Brown

Girard again has one of the best baseball teams in many years. Besides playing well on the field, the team exhibited that "old hum spirit" pleasantly evident throughout the entire season. The Class of June 1953 almost totally comprised the varsity squad this year. At first base was capable Frank Caruso. Hard-hitting Elden Kunkle played second base. Doing exceedingly fine jobs were shortstop Bob Patton and third baseman Raymond Smith. Sid Stirling was the team's sure fire center fielder while reliable Buddy Murray played right field. Representing our class in the strikes and balls department was John Lauffer and Stan Pustilnick. It goes without saying that both turned in a top performance every time they went on the mound to pitch the team to victory. Behind the plate was dependable Bob Brown whose many well-chosen words of encouragement during tight games could be heard all over the playing field. Also on the varsity squad, and substituting when needed, were Eddie Armstrong, Charlie Umbrell, and "Reds" DiCroce.

Swimming



Left to Right: F. Caruso, B. Murray, Mr. H. Jones, E. Kunkle, M. Meizinger

The tankmen have made big progress this term. We owe it all to Coach Henry W Jones. The steady workouts gave us not only much to do, but, in the final meets, they gave us that extra pull we needed to "bring home the bacon."

Graduation day will greatly affect the tankmen's strength. With Elden Kunkle, a captain who made both a good swimmer and a good leader, our team was able to obtain a winning record. With his spirit and his speed, how could we lose?

Matty Meizinger, another man of ability, was often known for his kick and long stride which left opponents far behind.

We are not forgetting our very able co-captain, Buddy Murray, the hardest working man on the team. He pulled us from the depths of gloom time after time. All members of the swimming team say "Good luck!" to a good swimmer and a wonderful friend.

Last but not least is "Jigs" Caruso, who starred in almost everything he did. A natural—that's the only way to describe "Jigs."

Track



First Row: T. Shiels, M. Morucci, P. Mutone, H. Patterson
Second Row: J. Chambers, F. Caruso, W. Owens, F. Stoffa

Interest in track athletics is always growing. More boys from the younger classes reported for this sport than we saw from the Juniors and Seniors; a good sign that the team will come into its own during the next two years.

Everyone of us has hoped for this revival of interest in the ninth and tenth grades inasmuch as Mr. Severy and Mr. Reardon are giving so much of themselves for the success of the sport. The Class of June 1953 wishes to express its appreciation particularly for what they have learned in the individual events. Pete Mutone was a double-winner—fast in the sprints, strong in the broad jump, and an occasional competitor in the "220." Frank Stoffa took to the air in the high jump and pole vault. In the former he was one of the best this season. With a scarcity of distance men on the docket, our class produced Homer "Speedy" Patterson, who tied for second place the first time he ran the half mile. Three others—Frank Caruso, Mike Morucci, and Tom Shiels tried out for the shot put and mile run.

Manager Jack Chambers kept the books, helped make out the training system, and worked on various details during the meets.

The loss of all these seniors may be felt, but, with so much excellent material coming up from below, their places will be well filled. We wish our successors in track the best of luck.

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Wrestling



Left to Right: D. Thomas, M. Morucci, P. Mutone, J. Chambers, S. Crawford

Revived again last year, wrestling has been periodically one of our interesting sports. Several men again volunteered to take over the coaching and direct the team's activities. Mr. David C. Wolstenholme was assisted in this work by Mr. Edgar T. Stevens, Mr. Michael B. Groff, and Mr. George B. Diamant.

We won several matches and did particularly well when Captain "Pete" Mutone placed third in the local wrestling tournament at Episcopal Academy. Here eight schools participated. Girard finished seventh with seven points.

The talents of Mutone, Morucci, and Chambers have contributed much to this sport. Although the team worked under difficulties this year, next year should bring us an offensive team and a strong squad. Thanks to the coaches, we have made excellent progress and can see real success in the near future.

Fencing



Left to Right: J. Kinsey, A. DiCroce

Although our class had only two representatives on the fencing team, they did a job of which they can be proud. Captain John Kinsey and "Reds" DiCroce, a late-comer to the sport who did well, gave the team the material that contributed to a winning record.

John, second high scorer this year and highest last year in individual points, led the team with strength. His point-scoring ability undoubtedly supplied much of the punch to bring the team through the tight spots. We wish to commend John for his aid in teaching some of the newcomers the finer points of the game. Mr. Rothberg will miss his able student and helper.

"Reds," too, did a fine job, especially since it was his first season as a fencer. Spectators of the fencing team will remember "Reds" as a hard, energetic fighter who stuck to the last second in every match.

Our class contributed limited efforts to the fencing team, but we helped them turn in a four-wins two-losses record. On leaving we wish next year's squad the best of luck and the strength they need to insure many victories.

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Champions

Intramural Soccer



First Row: F. Umbrelli, W. Kerr, F. Swahl, A. DiCroce, S. Crawford

Second Row: H. Patterson, S. Pustilnick, F. Kwiatkowski, T. Smith

Third Row: W. Bispels, P. Smallacombe, R. Polsz, M. Meizinger, R. Eckard, D. Thomas

Intramural Basketball



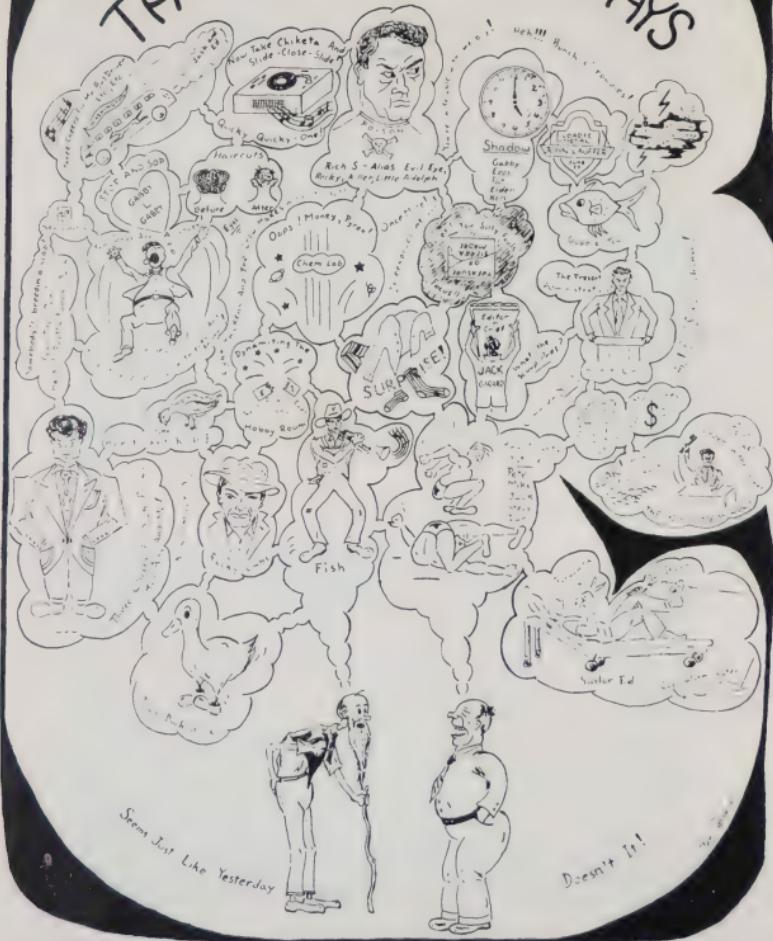
First Row: L. Venuti, T. Smith, S. Pustilnick, R. Leavesley, J. Lauffer

Second Row: W. Kerr, S. Crawford, D. Thomas, R. Stirling, R. Patton

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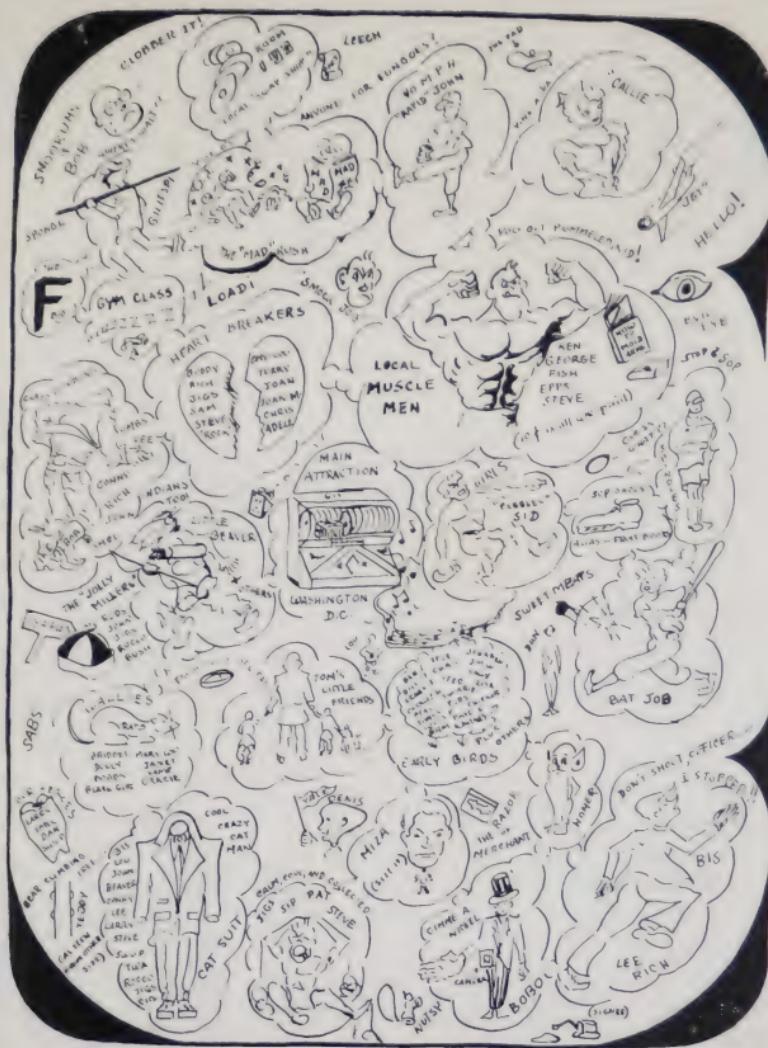
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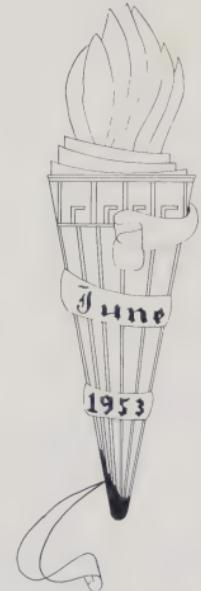
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